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A SKETCH OF POWDERLY
Past and Present

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Part I. Pioneer
Days

Not for an instant expecting to win the fame of Scott, who wove the tales and traditions learned when a boy at his grandmother's knee, into the most wonderful of all novels, or even thinking that the reader of this simple sketch will derive the pleasure from it's perusal that was mine as I listened to the tales, tinged by the glamour of romance and tradition, of which it is composed, but knowing that the only way to preserve the traditions and facts connected with the foundation of any hamlet or city, is in a printed form, and believing that the perusal of the incidents as related in the following sketch will help the reader to pass off a few moments of the winter's gloom in as commendable a manner as that of social conversation are my sole excuses for writing.

A hundred years ago the village known as Powderly was unheard of. Trackless forests then met the eye instead of muddy streets; the dinner horn was heard instead of the mine whistle, and a "woodsy" odor filled the air instead of the fumes of sulphur.

Swiftly the seasons have come and gone since then, each bringing its changes still the hills which shelter the village remain almost as they were when the red men received instiration from their beauty and sublimity. Time has only made more luxuriant the wild vines which climb there in rank profusion and more abundant the fragrant flowers which "blush unseen,"-- save when a merry crowd of young people invades the solemn stillness.

But to the old homes, landmarks of an earlier day, time has only made more complete the works of ruin and decay which resign there, and more sacred the sites of these homes that have already perished, memories of the dead past.

A few old fashioned flowers, a bit of shrubbery, some broken brick and two cedars, now mark the spot where stood until recent years, the oldest house of which anything definite is known. The old Snodgrass brick as it was called has long been a familiar object to the traveler of the Greenville and Central City road. It was built by one Jone Reno of Virginia, who with his wife crossed the Blue Ridge, 1807. He was a school teacher, but why he left his early home and came to this undeveloped country is a mystery. He taught school at Nelson Creek and at the old Belle school house, long since fallen in ruin. His wife died shortly after their arrival.

Lonely indeed must have been the life of that old pioneer, of whom so little is known, when not engaged in training the young idea to shoot. At that time the Indian's hunting round was not bereft of its game; squirrels played in the trees, "the wild fox dug his hole unscared and the rank thistle nodded in the wind".

The incidents which led to the arrival of Eli Fortney from Virginia also, who settled the old Fortney place, three miles east of Powderly, are more romantic than the imaginary romance produced by the average novelist. Going back into the history of Virginia, the story begins when one Major Scott of revolutionary fame was in the war. At intervals during the major's absence, he sent money to his wife at home. As it was not always convenient for her to go to the and get the money in person, a friendly neighbor kindly offered his services, which were accepted. He got the money but kept it himself. In all he stole about \$1800. He went into business as a merchant with the money, but possibly fearing detection, he sold the store and invested the money in four tracts of land in Kentucky, two of which were on the Big Clifty, and the other two in what is now Muhlenberg county.

Major Scott was an industrious man himself, and was a firm believer in manual labor. His broad fields in Virginia after the war required a great deal of physical work. People were not surprised that when his daughter Cynthia ran away and married Eli Fortney, a well educated young man through not such an enthusiast of physical labor, his anger was great. He would not help the newly married couple financially or in any way; his daughter had married against his will and would have to abide the result.

Now Cynthia was a more industrious girl than those of today, whose sole am-

bition seems to be to dress well and look pretty, laught and talk, and to "catch a beau" with plenty of money. She had made featherbeds and quilts in plenty, but as her presence could not darken the door of the old plantation home, her belongings were useless to her while there. Although she was forsaken by her father, there were two sisters at home who had her interests in mind, so one night when all was still they slipped some of the quilts and one of the featherbeds out and carried them a distance of two miles to the home of their sister. Such devotion, such heroism. Imagine those two girls all alone in the dark night, burdened with such a load, and all for the love they bore the forsaken sister.

time probably softened the feelings of the major. Anyway, when he obtained possession of the land which the thief had purchased with his stolen money he told his daughter that if she and her husband would come to Kentucky and live on the land he would give them one of the tracts. Ben Scott, a son of the Major, decided to come also, as his father had given him one of the tracts of land. The exact date of their departure is not known, but the mode of travel was very different to that of today, so the party came on flat boats down the Ohio river. Ben Scott and his wife took the land, a part of which is now Oakland coal mines, near Powderly. They built a house on it and lived there. The old well is still used and until recent years the loghouse was standing; on account of lack of information, the remaining history of this family will have to be given at another time.

Eli Fortney and his wife took the tract of land still farther toward Central City; it comprised 170 acres. He built the house known as the Old Fortney Place, which can still be seen through the shrubbery, from the Greenville and Central City road. Mr. Fortney went to his father's home in Virginia on a visit once, but his wife never went back or saw any of her father's people again.

Thirteen children were born to this remarkable union, six of whom are living. The parents lived to see all of their children grown and married. Mrs. Fortney died at the age of 84 years and her husband was 88 years of age when he was called by the Grim Reaper. The Fortneys were of Dutch descent and the Scotts were Scotch. Inheriting the strength of mind and body from such parents it is small wonder that some of the wealthiest and most prominent citizens of Muhlenberg county are descendants of that couple who braved the dangers of travel in the early days of Kentucky's history, and with untiring energy overcame the difficulties of pioneer life.

The next additions to this vicinity were W.M. Eaves and wife, formerly Susan Cook. In an old leather bound Bible still in the Eaves family this record is yet legible, though yellowed with age, Born, Susan Cook, Feb. 14, 1788; W.H. Eaves, Aug. 12, 1787. Of the early history of this family little is known; however they came to this country from North Carolina when their first child who was born in the year of 1815 was still an infant. Just where they located is not known, but one son William Eaves met, loved and married Christine Fortney, a daughter of the aforesaid Fortneys. They bought the old Redman farm the history of which has been lost in oblivion, save that John Redman was a Methodist preacher, and that his wife died before he left this country. Whether his forefathers were really red men, and he inherited the land from them is not known. The house was an imposing structure, two and one-half stories high, a commodious building for that day, and to it Mr. Eaves and his bride moved. It stood near the present Eaves graveyard, which at that time contained the single grave of Mrs. Redman. The house was said to have been haunted; a chilly mysterious presence seemed at times to keep guard in one of the rooms upstairs. Mr. Eaves lived there for many years, but at last sold the house and 100 acres of land to Calvin Gyle for the sum of \$1300. While some negroes who had rented the house were living there, it burned. So today all that remains of the haunted house, is a mound of crumbled rocks and sand, surrounded by rank blackberry bushes. What fancies, what visions throng through the mind, as one stands in silence and views the site of an old building, then in imagination if not reality, the picture of a long dead past is complete; the mental vision is peopled with those who are no more, again ruddy cheedked children clad in homespun sit before the wood fire, popping corn or roasting nuts in the ashes, as they listen to their parents tell of another land than this. The mental curtain is drawn still further aside, and a youth and maiden are telling the old, old story, though new, in the flickering light of the blazing back log. The mental curtain falls and one realizes that those are scenes which will never be enacted in this vicinity again.

Through this sketch of the pioneer days of Powderly is very meager and incomplete, the reader will have to depend entirely on his imagination for the history of the people, for the fifteen years following the arrival of W.H. Eaves in 1815. That no other settlers came during that period is probably due to the fact that the war of 1812 had just closed, and the men from Kentucky and Tennessee

who fought so bravely, had returned to their homes, and were well content to stay there.

!!! This sketch written by Miss Amy Longest; appeared in The Record Mar. 2, 1911.

!!! I will have another Sketch on Powderly in the next issue of Heritage!!!

The following deaths, copied by Mrs. Hammers from Micro-film:

Baker, Ray, 18 months, female, died Nov. 1907, born in Muhlenberg Co. Ky. Res. in Muhl., died in Muhl. Co., parents not known

Bethel, Della, white, age 21, female, married, died July 15, 1908, born in Hopkins Co., Ky., res. Depoy, Ky., died in Depoy, parents Tom and Carline Jennings, both parents born in Hopkins Co., Ky.

Bridges, baby, white, age 24 hours, male, died May 29, 1910, born in Muhlenberg Co., Ky. parents, Robert and Cornelia Bridges, father born in Livermore, Ky. mother in Hawesville, Ky.

Brown, Walter, white, age 2 male, died June 20, 1907, parents W.M. and Ocie Brown.

Bruner, Walter Lee, white, age 4 months, male, died June 23, 1907, parents H.D. and Mary Bruner.

Caldwell, John, white, age 7, male, died Sept. 8, 1906, parents, Charlie and Martha Caldwe..

Carnes, Wilbert, white, age 4, male, died Nov. 5, 1908, parents, Alex and Olga Carnes.

Carver, Florence, white, age 23, female, single, born in Muhl. Co. residence in Muhl. Co., died in Muhl. Co., parents, Lemuel and Alcy Carver, both born in Muhlenberg, Co. (died Jan. 14, 1907)

Carver, Hattie, white, age 20, female, married, died Feb. 18, 1907, born in Muhl. Co. residence in Muhl. Co., died in Muhl. Co. parents, John Dukeson Mallhis, born in Muhl. Co.

Cates, James P., white, age 26, male, single, died May 17, 1907, parents S.J. and Manerva Cates.

Cotton, Ralf, white, age 2 years, male, died Oct. 28, 1908, born in Muhl. Co. residence in Muhl. Co., died in Muhl. Co., parents, Charlie and Gertrude Cotton, father born in Illinois, mother born in Withe Co. Ill.

Craig, H.C., white, age 48, male, married, farmer, died Jan. 10, 1908, born in Muhl. Co., residence in Muhl. Co. died in McNary, Ky.

Craig, H.S., white, age 27, male, single, occupation, farming, died July 17, 1908, born in Graham, Ky., res. Graham, Ky. died in Graham, Ky. parents, Sam and Vitula Craig.

Craig, Vitula, white, age 54, female, widow, died June 23, 1908, born in Depoy, Ky. parents, Jake and Saley Vick.

Crane, Ruth, white, age 2 months, female, died Oct. 1907, parents, Frank and Molly Crane.

Davis, Ray, white, age 8 months, male, died June 28, 1907, born in Muhl. Co., res. Muhl. Co. died in Muhl. Co., parents: Harry and Verdia Davis, both born in Muhl. Co.

Davis, Tryman, white, age 5, female, died Feb. 5, 1908, born in Ky., res. Graham, died in Graham, Ky. parents; Dock and Sally Davis, both born in Ky.

Depeyster, Huldia, white, age 75, widow, died Feb. 12, 1907, born in Muhl. Co. res. Depoy, Ky. died in Depoy, Ky. parents; ?

Dobson, Sadie M., white, age 2 months, died June 5, 1907, parents; Burton and Miltie Dobson.

Drake, Mrs. Bettie, white, age 24, married, died Feb. 26, 1910, born in South Carrolton, Ky. res. Drakesboro, Ky. died in Drakesboro, Ky. parents; George and Margaret Crawford, both born in Muhl. Co.

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We continue here the names of heads of households living in Christian County as recorded in the Census of 1840. As in the past, only the names and reel page are given. If a researcher finds a name of interest, he or she will need to go to the microfilm to get the complete family record.

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Henderson, John
Tally, Alfred
Lindsay, James T.
Alder, William
West, John T.
Tucker, William
Spurlin, John
Lacy, Nicholas
Lacy, David
Edwards, Edward
Henderson, John B.
Devenport, John W.
Wheeldon, Barbraber (?)
Calvain, Aaron
Lacy, Benjamin
Willisam, James
Martin, Presly O.
Forbis, Jennett
Alder, James
Jones, David H.S.
Henderson, James

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Adams, Thomas (Adair?)
Lancaster, James B.
Reed, Harvey
Pyle, Thomas
Gamble, William
Hoard, William
Hall, John & Andrew
Quate, William G.L.
Stuart, Elizabeth E.
Crabtree, James
Rogers, Lazeras
Cooper, Elizabeth
Ridle, John
Lacy, Philemon
McCulloch, Hammilton B.
Russell, Reuben
Lacy, Benjamin
Crabtree, James Sr.
Crabtree, Nancy J.
Cavanah, Margaret
Cavanah, Byrd B.
Hammonds, William
Henderson, Isaac
Grace, Clement
Tucker, Eli
Meacham, Lucy
Baker, Benjamin H.
Jones, Henry
Lacy, William
Russell, Robert

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Bronaugh, Oliver
Davis, Clemant
Denny, William
Dunevan, Wyan
Denny, Samuel
Sanford, Thomas
Dyer, Sally
Whitlege, Robert
Brown, Margaret
Cotton, Letitia
Courtney, Thomas
Courtney, William

Biggerstaff, James
Clemmons, John
Stroud, Peter
Hoard, Richard P.
Hoard, George
Causey, William
Meacham, Ellis
Younglove, Alfred
Smith, Michael
Wood, Bryant W.
Durham, James
Rogers, William
Nixon, Edy
Nixon, Federic
Sims, John
Bibb, Jacob
Miles, John
Wylie, John L.

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McCord, David
Atkinson, Lewis
Watson, John
Petty, Drewry
Clark, Sam
McKnight, William
Hamby, Jeremiah
Brown, Paschal D.
Lantrip, Thomas
Parker, Richard
Farmer, William
Collins, Joseph
Lantrip, Shederic
Bagley, Richard V.
Brasher, Hampton
Brasher, Lawrance
Brasher, Thomas
Brasher, Jacob C.
Campbell, George
Campbeal, Neal
Croft, Joshua I
Hamby, James
Terry, George
Brasher, Lawrance T.
Campbell, Daniel
Cotton, Alexander
Brasher, Aquilla H.
Croft, William G.
Wooldridge, Edward

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Brasher, Alexander
Brasher, John T.
Croft, Jacob
Bourland, Felix
Bourland, Edwin
Ratliff, Constant O.
Denton, Daniel G.
Parker, Balis
Williams, Rowland P.
Cavanah, Arthur
Pierce, William
Wigs (?) Pine (?) T.
Wristen, Sarian
Mitchell, David C.
Davis, James
Knight, John
Oglesby, Jane
Garrett, Austin M.

Williams, Thomas
Clark, William B.
Clark, William B.
Clark, Jonathan
Butler, John
Newcomb, Flemmon
Myers, George
Johnston, William
Lewis, Robert
Grace, Ervin
Finlow (?) John
Myers, David

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Boales, David S.
Dulin, Rice
Lacy, George W.
Wristen, Reuben
Gray, William
Williams, William
Long, Charles
Long, Hester
Parker, Obediah
Brasher, Larkin T.
Lynn, William
Long, Aquilla
Shelton, William
Croft, Rowland
Cotton, William
Lindley, Thomas
Ford, Elijah
Madox (?), Joseph
Monk, Elizabeth
Barefield, Redding
Lockhart, Martha
Hamby, Philip
Armstrong, Charles
Barefield, John
Dunevan, Daniel
Johnston, David
Hannah, Alexander
Lacy, Hezekiah
Lacy, Henrietta
Thompson, Amy

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Dobbins, Lieu (?)
Overton, Benjamin
Grace, Devina
Devina, Samuel
Cain, James
Keith, Alexander
Dobbins, Dernas (?) R.D.
Stuart, Polly P.
Fox, Jesse
Oglesby, William
Harrison, Daniel H.
Oglesby, Nancy
Oglesby, John
Harkins, John
Grace, Joseph
Harkins, James
Edwards, Hugh
Thommason, Garrison
Mannaham, Eliza
McLean, Maryan
Hogan, Thomas
Woodburn, James
Sims, William

Faughender, George
Parker, Joseph
Long, William
Hewett, William
Wood, Laban B.

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Cavanah, James F.
Barnes, Melvin
Hammonds, Katharine
Jones, Elijah
West, Jesse
West, Meredith
Redding, Lewis
King, Benjamin A.
Powell, Wiley
Wickes, William
Richardson, Noel
Barnett, Thomas
Price, Isaac
Cooper, James
Barnett, William
Poster, Gabriel
Wilson, Mathew
Pitson (?), Rebecca
Robertson, Wiley
Robertson, James
Miles, Nancy
Williams, Stephen
Robertson, Mathew
Robertson, Adison H.
Robertson, Abner
West, Jesse
Weathers, Samuel
Pennington, Francis
Hurt, Moses
Hurt, Lewis S.

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Wood, Clemant
Martin, James
Brown, Joshua H.
Martin, John
Cook, Washington
Lacy, Bartholomew
Gilkey, Jonathan
Gilkey, James
Sizemore, Henry W.
Landrith, James

THIS CONCLUDES THE HEADS OF HOUSEHOLDS 1840 CHRISTIAN CO. CENSUS

CORRECTION: Vo. 8 #1 page 10. at bottom of page, PEVELAR instead of REVELER. Sorry about the mistake. Louise Vincent found the error and brought it to our attention. (this is some of her family).

ISAAC SPENSER PROWSE, 83 years old, died at his home in the southwestern part of Muhlenberg county Monday. Funeral services, conducted by the Rev. Arthur B. Gross, of Greenville, were held at the home Tuesday afternoon and interment was in the Prowse burying ground.

Mr. Prowse, member of a pioneer family, was born and reared in Muhlenbert county. Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Carrie Brashear Prowse, seven sons and six daughters.

MRS. SARAH EMILY JONES, 91 died at 5 p.m. Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs Joe Lovell, or near Greenville. Burial was at Taylortown, in Ohio county, Tuesday. Surviving Mrs. Jones are four daughters, Miss Annie Jones, Miss Kate Jones, Mrs. Joe Lovell, and Mrs. Una Taylor, of Graham, and one son, R. H. Jones, of Memphis, Tenn.

Brewer, Edom
Davis, John
Long, Young
Dunkinson, Washington
Dunkinson, Robert
Wiggins, William
Weathers, Serena
Trowl (?), John
Collins, John
Johnston, William
Fruit, James S.
Fruit, Thompson C.
Bowen, John
Walker, Alexander
Pendley, Solomon
Cavanah, William
Cooper, Alexander S.
Allen, Newton
Durham, Nelson
Cavanah, Charles

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Robertson, Robert C.
McKinney, Reuben H.
Grace, Alfred
Johnston, Samuel
Johnston, Robert
Price, Benjamin
Rowe, John
Ernest (?), Israel R.
Haile, Thomas
Haile, Anderson
Thompson, William
Meacham, Wiatt
Dublin, Lod
Winn, Sarah
Campbell, Jehosaphat
Groves, Jonathan
Hensley, Hohn
Grace, William
Vincent, Alexander
Grissam, John W.
Ebling, Henry
McKinzie, James
Bass, Jordain
Bass, Jordain
Duvall, Howard
Atkinson, Amos
Oglesbey, Jacob
Oglesbey, Constant

Oglesbey, John C.
Oglesbey, Jacob, Jr.
Dukes, Ephraim

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Henderson, Lucretia
Word, Samuel T.
Powell, George W.
West, Charles
West, Phillip
Hoard, Ezekiel
West, John
West, Jonathan H.
Bonds (?), Thomas
Stroud, Brooks
Brown, Enoch A.
Gibson, Meredith
Hopson, Henry
Shepherd, Edwin C.
Howell, John
Thompson, Presley N.O.
Tronel (?), Jacob
Foster, Nathan
Kelly, Lindsay
Hopson, Evan
Allen, Moses H.
Myers, Henry
West, William
Barnes, William
Armstrong, John
Croft, Jonathan H.
Cavanah, David
Simpson, William
Gray, William C.
Ladd, Benjamin

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Ladd, Wilford
Clark, Lemuel
Cansler, Henderson
Cansler, James
Cansler, Pliny
Cansler, Golden
Cansler, John
Armstrong, John Sr.
Croft, David
Clark, Nancy
Tucker, John
Clark, Jacob

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We continue Mrs. Hammers abstracts from Early Muhlenberg County Court Order books.

351 July 29, 1839 Charles Morehead, app. admr. to est. of John Cain, dec'd with B.E. Pittman & Lewis Watkins his sec. The app. John Salmon, Thomas J. Anthony, Eli Fortney & Alfred Morehead.

351 July 25, 1839 David Edwards, dec'd. Thomas L. Martin app. admr. to the est. of the dec'd with William W. Hancock & Gideon Edwards his sec. 1000. bond. the app: Strother Jones, Wiatt Wells, Joseph C. Reynolds & William Stenbridge.

351 July 25, 1839 Susan M. Anthony made choice of William Anthony as her guardian with Rufus Linthicum & Charles D. Ward his sec. 3000. bond.

353 July 25, 1839 Ailey Edwards widow & relict of David Edwards, who was a Rev. pensioner & it appearing to the satisfaction of the court by John Edwards & Gideon Edwards, respectable persons, that the sd. David departed this life 11 day of July 1839, that the sd Ailey is the widow & relict of sd decedant.

355 Sept. 30, 1839 Squire Vincent app admr. to est. of Charles Vincent, dec'd with Tums Vincent & John Vincent his sec. 200. bond.

355 Sept. 30, 1839 Elias Davis, app. admr. to est of John Collins, dec'd with Joseph Heck & Jesse Moore his sec. bond of 400. p. 356 Benjamin S. young, David Dillman, William Doris, & David Impbler the comm. app. to settle est.

356 Sept. 30, 1839 John Hunt, Jr. app. admr. to est. of Gasham Hunt, dec'd the widow consenting in writing, with Jonathan Hunt, John Hunt, sr. Owen Hunt & Elijah Hunt his sec. 2000. bond- Jacob Newman, George Penrod, Alexander Hunt, James Welborn the app. of sd. est.

357 Sept. 30, 1839 Ephraim Durell, app. admr. to est of William Smith (the widow being present & conting), with John Campfield & Simon Vaught, his sec. 800. bond. Moses F. Glenn, William Williams, Aaron Smith & Henry Stom, the app.

358 Sept 30, 1839 Hannah Latham is poor & blind & therefore ordered that Hugh G. Smith take charge of sd Hannah until the next Nov. Court.

360 Oct. 29, 1839 Barnet Stewart is app. gdn for Louisa & Amanda Jane Garris, orps. of Bedford Garris, dec'd. The mother consenting. the children being under 14 yrs. with Nathan Harper his sec. 300. bond.

360 Oct. 29, 1839 Uriah Cleringer & John Mathis are released from paying Co. levy in the future, for reasons appearing to the court.

362 Nov. 25, 1839 David Evans & Thompson Miller, app. admrs. to est of Hamilton Miller, dec'd (the widow in writing consenting thereto) with Isaac Miller their sec. bond 600. Daniel Plain, William Grundy, David Short & Peter Shaver, were app. comm. to settle the est.

363 Nov. 25, 1839 The Co. made debtor to the following:
John Lott, for burying James Grimes, a poor person pd. 20.00
William Morehead pd. 20.00 for keeping James Grimes
Nancy Vandiver a poor person in Hands of William M. Moore, esqr.
Hugh G. Smith pd. 12.00 for keeping Hannah Latham, a poor person
George Mefford pd. 50.00 for keeping two children of Catherine Ewing.

365 Nov. 25, 1839 Jared Wallace app. gdn. to his children, R.W.M. Wallace with Jesse Hughes his sec. 400. bond.

365 Nov. 25, 1839 Samuel Griffeth app. admr. of est of James Griffeth, dec'd. (the widow consenting thereto* with Benjamin T. Casebier & James M. Casebier his sec. 400. bond the app. (p.366) B.Y. Cundiff, Samuel Jackson, Thomas Bell & G.V. Rhoads.

366 Nov. 25, 1839 John Jenkins app. admr. to est. of Newsom Shelton, dec'd. with Gabriel Shelton, his sec. bond 100. app. Strother Jones, Amariah Moore, William P. Shelton & William H. Finley.

368 Dec. 30, 1839 Mary E. Soloman by her writing, made choice of Peter Jones as her gdn. with Benjamin S. Young his sec. bond 100.

370 Jan. 27, 1840 Charles D. Ward, app. admr. to est. of Michael McMullin, dec'd. with Jacob C. Landis His sec. 400. bond, Thomas Landrum, John M. Johnson, Elisha Baker & Rueben Stroud were app. comm..

373 Feb. 24, 1840 Foster Hutson, dec'd, Inv. & App. his est. by the curator of est.

373 Feb. 24, 1840 The nuncupative will of Foster Hudson dec'd, shown in to ct. by Gillis Mercer for record & objections being made, sustained by the ct. for which the sd Mercer by his atty. excepted & filed his exceptions to them.

373 Feb. 24, 1840 The ct. app. William Martin, Esqr. admr. of Foster Hutson, dec'd which James S. Eaves his Sec. 2400. bond
(note: this record and the one above was crossed out by the clk. who recorded such records. This will was never probated in Muhl. Co. on the following page, these records appear again.))

376 Apr. 27, 1840 Nancy Ellis is app. gdn. to her son Joseph E. Ellis, orp of Hardy Ellis dec'd. He being about 3 yrs. old with Dennis her sec. bond of 300.

376 Apr. 27, 1840 Gillis Mercer, app. gdn to Sarah Ann & Martin (or Martha-) the last name doesn't show on the microfilm) Uzzle orp. of Thomas Uzzle, dec'd with B.E. Oates the sec. 200. bond.

A377 Apr. 27, 1840 Upon the motion of Anthony Seymore an alien who is desir-our of becoming a citizen of the commonwealth, who therefore renounces all his allegiances & fidelity to all princes & Potentates, state or sovereign whatever, & more particulary of Louis Philip, king of France.

382 Apr. 27, 1840 Azariah Doss app. gdn. to Busrod W. Doss, orp of John A. Doss, dec'd with Eli Fortney & Lewis Watkins his sec. 200. bond. & they also app. him gdn to John J. Doss, orp. of John A. Doss, dec'd 200. bond.

383 Apr. 27, 1840 David T. Short, app. curator of the est. of John Houpt, dec'd, with Sanders Eaves his sec. 100. bond.

384 May 25, 1840 David James, app. to take care of Hannah Latham, a poor person, who has heretofore been in the charge & keeping of Hugh G. Smith.

384 Apr. 27, 1840 Jacob Jago, app. admr. to est of John Landes, dec'd with Ralph Vickers & Daniel Plain his sec. 1000. bond app. John Whitmer, Jacob Whitmer, Samuel Danner & Thomas Drake.

384 Apr. 27, 1840 William Wilkins app. admr. to est of Nathan Harper, dec'd with Jesse Cray, Joel Harper, & James Forehand, his sec. 1000. bond. the app. William Martin, Joseph Hendrix, George Gish & Martin Miller.

385 Apr. 27, 1840 Nehemiah Forehand, dec'd Inv. & App. his est.

385 Apr. 27, 1840 David Forehand, dec'd app. & Inv. of his est.

386 Apr. 27, 1840 Sally Rice, widow, & William, J.W. Rice app. admsrs. to est of Mathew Rice, dec'd- with James W. Rice & Kinchen G. Hay their sec. 500. bond-- Abraham Dennis, Kinnard Hay, Jeremiah Langley, & Stanford Fuller, the app.

386 Apr. 27, 1840 A summons was issued against Nancy Stafford, alias Nancy Haley on the 1st day of our next Court to show cause why her son may not be bound out as the law directs.

387 Apr. 27, 1840 The indenture of Claibourn Gooch to Joseph L. McIntire was rescinded in ct.

390 July 27, 1840 Alney Newman, app. admr. to est of Jacob Newman, dec'd (the widow being in ct. & consenting thereto) with Isaac Newman & Solomon Rhoads, his sec. 3500. bond. Ordered that Isaac Wood, J.F. Ward, Mathew Willis & S.G. Grable be app. comm. for sd est.

390 July 27, 1840 William Finch, app. gdn to Amanda K. Finch, the infant dau. of Amanda C. Finch, dec'd. with Edmund Finch & Thomas Gavin his sec. 400. bond.

390 July 27, 1840 James Warner, app. admr. to est of John Young, dec'd (the widow consenting) with V.L. Dillingham, & B.C. Dillingham his sec. 1000. bond Jackson Lovelace, Barnet Eades, Robert Eades & Joseph Mathews were the comm-app. to settle the est.

392 July 27, 1840 Samuel Eades app. gdn. to Sarah M. Dunn, orp of Montelion (or Montetion) Dunn, dec'd, she being about 6 yrs. old.

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The following death records were copied by Carol Brown from the Muhlenberg County "Vital Statistic" Micro-film at Greenville Library. Carol states, "that due to the fact that this film was so difficult to read there is no guarantee that slight mistakes were sometimes made"..

Polly Atkinson, 6 years old, female, born in South Carolina, died 19 Oct. 1854 (parents names not given)

William Kyle, 13 month old, male, died 12 Sept. 1854, of Diarhea, born in Muhlenberg Co. (parents also not given)

Julia A. Edwards, 20 years old, female born in Muhlenberg, County, father was J.B. Burke, died at Paradise 26 Aug. 1854 of Bemittent fever.

Howard Duvall, 63, farmer, reside in Muhlenberg County, born in Va., father was Skinner Duvall. Died 14 Apr. 1854 of pneumonia.

James Wells, farmer, 38 years old, born in North Carolina, father, Wyatt Wells, died 16 Mar. 1854 of a spinal disease.

Frances Vaught, 50, male, farmer, born in Pennsylvania, father was John Vaught. Died Sept. of 1854 of pneumonia.

Jonathan Rogers, 53, farmer, born in Nelson County, Kentucky. Father was William Rogers, died of pneumonia (no date except 1854)

Moses Wickliffe, 75, farmer, born in Virginia. Father Aaron Wickliffe, died 20 Aug. 1854. (note:: This was Col. Moses Wickliffe, who wife was Nancy Young. If any of you have any dates on their oldest son Aaron and his wife Sarah Angeline Acock Wickliffe, I'd sure like to hear from you. Will refund postage gladly. Mrs. Lennie C. Dennis, Route #4 Box #122, Lewisburg, Ky. 42256)

Irvin Young, 35, Cooper by trade, born in Muhlenberg County, father was George Young. Died 3 Mar. 1854 of pneumonia.

James Smith, 88, Widower, farmer, born in North Carolina, father was Tyler Smith. died 7 Feb. 1854.

Nancy Boggess, 75, married, born in Buckingham County Virginia. Father was Robert Dudley. Died 20 Mar. 1854 of pneumonia.

Susan Robertson, 57, married, born in Halifax County Virginia. Father was Thomas Shelton, died 13 December 1854 of consumption.

Fielding Foster, 65, male, farmer, born in Prince William County, Virginia. Died 23 Nov. 1854 of pneumonia (no parent given)

John Gossett, 80, male, married, mechanic, born in Rockingham County, Virginia. Father was Daniel Gosset. Died 4 June 1854 of Cholera-Morleis (?).

Jacob Whitmer, 77, married, male, farmer, born in Fredricktown, Pennsylvania. Father was John Whitmer, died 23 June 1854 of Asthma.

Peter Jones, 76, male, married, farmer, born in Henry Co. Virginia. Died 8 Nov. 1854. (cause of death & parent not given.)

Nancy W. Morehead, 55, widow, seamstress, born in Granville County, Virginia. Father Robert _____, died 11 June 1854 of Dropsy.

Elizabeth Arnett, 58, widow, seamstress, born in Duplin County, North Carolina. Father William Wilkins. Died 26 Jan. 1854 of consumption.

Benjamin W. Dukes, 1 year old son of William F. Dukes, died 11 Sept. 1854 of flux.

Morris (Maurice) Moore, 83, widower, farmer, born in Duplin County North Carolina. Died 15 Feb. 1854 of pneumonia (parents not given.)

Ben Lile, 28, married, farmer, born in Tennessee, father was James H. Lile. Died 25 Sept. 1854 of Typhoid fever.

Courtney Wells, 82, female, born in Franklin County, North Carolina. Father was Frances Wells. Died 3 May 1854 of old age.

Martha Wells, 22 single, seamstress, born and died in Muhlenberg County. Father John Joseph Wells. Died July of 1854 of nervous fever.

Samuel Devine, 76, farmer, born in Gilford County North Carolina, father was Samuel Devine, died suddenly 1 Mar. 1855.

James Hester Lile, 60, died 18 Mar. 1855 of dropsy. Born in North Carolina Father was Jackson Lile.

Nancy Heltsley, 54, born in Logan County Kentucky. Father was Joshua Elkins Died 21 Aug. 1855.

Josiah Dukes lost a 7 day old female 9 Aug. 1855.

Stephen T. Mann, 66, farmer, born Larue County Virginia. Father was Thomas Mann. Died 26 or 24 of May 1855 of a liver complaint.

Sarah ? , 74, widow born South Carolina. Father was a Johnston, died on Jacobs Creek, 9 July 1855 of old age.

David Rhoads, 78, widower, farmer, born in Pennsylvania. Father was Henry Rhoads. Died 8 July 1855 of Ulcers.

William Williams, farmer, 57. Born in Knox County Tennessee. Father was William (also). Died 8 Apr. 1855 of pneumonia on Mud River.

Edward Hammon, 63, farmer, born in Pennsylvania. Father was John Hammon. Died 24 August 1855 on Mud River.

David Smith, 36 Carpenter, married, born Womack County Indiana and resided in Evansville, Indiana. Father was Thomas Smith. Died 26 July 1855.

Elizabeth Pool, married, 61, born in Richmond County Virginia. Died on Hooper's Creek 26 Aug. 1855.

Margaret Nicholas, 76, widow, born in Virginia. Father was John Randolph. Died 3 Sept. 1855 on Cypress Creek.

E. Engram, 49, married, died 12 Feb. 1856 of pneumonia, father was Wyatt Wells.

Mary Morehead, 50, died 20 Aug. 1856. Lived at South Carolton, father was Charles Morehead.

Sarah Wilkins, 24, died 10 Apr. 1856, of consumption. Father was John Wilkins. Born and reside in Muhlenberg County.

Darcus Mercer, 52, died 4 Jan. 1857 of pneumonia, married (?) Father was Martin Mercer.

W. Wood, 18 years old, single, died 22 Apr. 1856 of pneumonia, father Jesse Wood, born in Butler County.

S. Collins, female, 50, died 14 Mar. 1856 of Dropsy. Father William Collins, born in Virginia.

Tina Duvall, 63, died 7 June 1856 of consumption. Father was John Wells. Born in North Carolina.

L.E. Stewart, 30, female, married. Died 7 Feb. 1856 of consumption. Father was Hugh Smith. She was born in Muhlenberg County.

Mary Roark, 30, single, died 30 July 1856. Born in Smith County Tenn. Died on Cypress Creek. Father was John Roark.

Nancy E. Holland, 7 month old, died July 1856. Cause unknown. Father was Thomas Holland, born and died on Cypress Creek.

David Duvall, 30, farmer, died 30 July 1856 of consumption. Born and died on Cypress Creek in Muhlenberg County. Father was John Duvall.

Martha Dexter, 53, died 1 Dec. 1857 of pneumonia. Father was Jesse Anderson.

Malinda Young, 52, married, born in Virginia. Father was Cornelius White-scarver.

Phillip B. Smith, 35, married, died Nov. of 1856 of an accident. Father was L. Smith. Born in Tennessee.

E. Row, 85, female, married, died 18 Dec. 1857. Father was Jacob Severs. Born in Nelson Co. Ky.

Nancy Posey, 40, married, died 2 Sept 1856 or 1857. Born in Wilson County Tennessee. Father was George Norris.

John Johnson, 35, died 7 Dec. 1856 of scarlet fever, Father was Peteway Johnson, born in Muhlenberg Co, but resided in Henderson County Kentucky.

M. Sharp, 46, female, died 7 Apr. 1857 of consumption. Father was Isaac Davis.

Martha Robertson, 80 died Nov. of 1857 of old age. Born in North Carolina. Father was Peter Smith.

William Eaves, 70, died 21 Nov. 1857 of Dropsy.

Elizabeth James, 42, died 1 Mar. 1857 of palzy. Born in Smith County, Tennessee. Father was John Roark.

Lewis Wiggins, 62, died 7 July, 1857 of dropsy. Born in Scott County Kentucky. Father was Jonas Wiggins.

W.M. Little, 42, male, died 16 Aug. 1857. Born in Dabis County Kentucky. Father was G. Little.

W.J. Dukes, 23, female, died 15 May, 1857 of child bed fever. Born in Caloway County Kentucky. Wather was Silas Dukes. Also says she was single.

E. Clarady, 34, female, died 27 Feb. 1857 of child bed fever. Born in Virginia. Father was Thomas Humphrey.

Susan Shelton, 55 died 29 June 1857 of consumption. Father was W. Wilkins.

Rachel Morgan, 78, widow, died 14 Jan. 1878. Born in North Carolina.

Nina Dukes, 2 month old female, born in Muhlenberg County. Died in Dec. of 1878. Parents were William and Mary Dukes.

Mary E. ?, 37, married, died Dec. of 1878 of consumption. Born in Tennessee. Parents John and Holly Dukes.

Albert Sanford, 36, married, farmer, died 9 Feb. 1878 of consumption. Born in Muhlenberg County.

Jacob Gish, 67, widower, died 21 Feb. 1878 of Typhoid fever. Born in Kentucky. Father was John Gish.

Allen Hill, 44, married, died 3 Jan. 1878 of a wound. Born in Tennessee. Parents John and Elizabeth Hill. Allen's father was born in Tennessee and his mother in Kentucky.

Joseph Moore, 1 month old male, died (no date) Parents were W.T. and Sarah Moore.

Rebecca Bell, 74, widow, died 12 Aug. 1878 of Typhoid fever. Her parents were David and Ellen Robertson. All three born in Kentucky.

Mary Snodgrass, 25, married, died 12 Jan. 1878 of consumption, born in Kentucky. Parent was Jack Doss.

Rosa C. Rhoades, 44, born in Kentucky. married, died 19 Jan. 1878 of Dropsy. (only parent given was) Elizabeth Mohon. Both parents born in Virginia.

George Ann Hays, 34, born in Muhlenberg County, female, died 18 Jan. 1877 of fever. Parents were Z and A.M. Stovall. Father born in Tennessee and mother in Muhlenberg County.

Margaret Fagan, single, died 15 Oct. 1877. She and her father born in Ireland.

Lewis McCown, 73, blacksmith, married, died 1 Oct. 1877 of diarrhea. Born in Muhlenberg County. Parents were A. and S. McCown. Father born in Virginia, mother born in Kentucky.

William B. Howerton, 52, married, farmer d. Apr. 18, 1877 of Consumption, b. in Va. Both parents also born in Va. Parents; William & M. Howerton.

J.F. Jones, 51, male, married, Merchant, d. 6 Aug. 1877 of Consumption, b. in Muhl. Co. Parents; P. & Sallie Jones

Ann Drake, 76, married, d. 29 Aug. 1877 of Parolisis, b. in N.C. and so were both parents. (parents names not given)

S. Whitman, married male, 66 yrs old, d. 24 Feb. 1877 of Consumption, b. in Spencer Co., (?) Parents were John & Cas Whitman. Both parents b. in Va.

Daniel Gossett, 50 d. 8 Feb. 1877 of Pneumonia, b. in Ky. Parents; J. & M. Gossett, both b. in Va.

John Lacking, 60, married, farmer, d. 8 Jan. 1877 of Nervous disease, b. in Muhl. Co. Parents; J. & N. Lacking, both b. in Va.

Polly Coble, 65, married, d. 12 Oct. 1876 of Consumption, b. in Hopkins Co., Parents; Phillip & Sarah Anthony.

Catherine Hicks, 82, widow, d. 8 Aug. 1876, b. in Ky. Parents; Henry & Mary Davis. Both parents b. Va.

Mary A. Rickard, 37, married, d. 15 Oct. 1876 of Pneumonia, b. in Ky. Parents; John & Nancy Weeks.

William Uzzle, 56, married, farmer, d. ___ March 1876 of Pneumonia. B. in Muhl. Co. Parents; Silas & M. Uzzle.

Rudolph Yonts, 87, b. in N.C., m. farmer, d. 20 July 1876 Parents; Wm. & Mary Yonts, both born in N.C.

Note; That's all she gave me. I'm sure there will be more, though from Carol Brown next issue.

QUERY SECTION

Mrs. Virginia Warren, Rt. 2, Box 281, Overton, Tx., 75684, sends us her Ancestor chart and asks help in finding parents of her grandmother, ELIZABETH BENTON, b. about 1816, m. 11 June 1839 to Thomas Howerton in Muhlenberg Co., She asks "Was the WILLIAM BENTON, who was on 1830 Muhl. Co., census, with wife MARGARET (?) her father? ". Also need the parents of CHANEY CARVER, wife of CHARLES NELSON, b. ca. 1800, Ky. or Tn. Could she be related to the Muhlenberg County Carver's?? Will share info.

Lois Ragan, 1463 Brimfield Dr. Kent, Ohio, 44240, would like to correspond with anyone related to the following families to help each other; WILLIS WOOD BURN, JAMES DENNY TINSLEY, JACKSON BUCK, ELIZABETH (PERISON) BUCK, ELIZA ANN (MARTIN) TINSLEY, CHARLES MORGAN, MARY JANE (HEWLETT) MORGAN. Lois also tells us that on Vol. 8, No. 2, page 16, the birth on 2 Dec. of a female to W.W. Ragan and Lula Tinsley, could be for Agnes Viola "Sis" b. 1908. She died 1. Nov. 1978. (Thanks Lois)

Jean (Canfield) Dennison, P.O. Box 154, Ontario, N.Y. 14519, needs ancestry of ZIBA/ZIBA, CAMPFIELD/CAMPFIELD, who purchased land in 1823 in Muhlenberg County. Need where and when he died, information about his wife and complete list of children. Is he the same ZIBA CAMPFIELD, b. 12 Feb. 1771 in New Marlborough, Berkshire Co., Mass., son of JOSEPH & RACHEL (ALLEN) CAMPFIELD? They were thought to have sons: (1) JOHN SAGE CAMPFIELD, b. 1799-1801, m. 9 Oct. 1824, in Muhlenberg County to ELIZABETH HUNSAKER. (2) JAMES GRANT CAMPFIELD, b. ca. 1800, moved to Moultrie Co., Il., ca. 1830 where he died in 1870. (3) IRA A. CAMPFIELD, b. ca 1807, m. 1 Apr. 1830 in Muhlenberg County, to SARAH ANN or SARAH ALENA GRUBB. Did ZIBA have any daughters? If so, who were they??? I'M very interested in getting ZIBA hooked up to Joseph & Rachel (Allen) Camfield, because Joseph was a brother to my ancestor, Samuel Canfield, also of New Marlborough, Mass..

QUERY SECTION

Mr. Jack Ware, P.O. Box 1827, Uvalde, Tx. 78801 would like some information on the Family of JOSEPH WARE and WILLIAM WARE, who emigrated from Christian Co. to Texas about 1831. Mr. Ware and his son were in the Library 6 May 1986. They had been to Va. searching the WARE line and perhaps they can also help some of you.

Joan Budenich, 13 W. Virginia St., Evansville, Ind. 47710, would like to hear from some one on JOSEPH RICH, born about 1832 and W.S. McCulley, born about 1846. They were in Muhlenberg County at one time. Probably in the Bremen area.

ANCESTOR CHART of BILLY BANDY

1. William Howard Bandy	b. 13 June 1916 m. Mary Claude Mercer 15 Nov. 1942	
2. Ora Slaton Bandy	b. 7 Aug. 1890 Muhl. Co. Ky. d. 1975 Muhl. Co. Ky.	
3. Maynie Johnson	b. 7 Feb. 1892 Muhl. Co. Ky. d. 3 Apr. 1985 "	
4. Jefferson Bandy	b. 30 Nov. 1831 Macon Co. Tn d. 1900 Muhl. Co. Ky.	
5. Margaret Elizabeth Harrison	d. 1920 " " "	
6. Thomas Benton Johnson	b. 22 Nov. 1853 m. 5 Jan. 1869 d. 1934 " " "	
7. Sarah Jane Edwards	b. 26 Mar. 1853 d. " " "	
8. Lewis Bandy	b. 10 Aug. 1797 in Va. d. Macon Co. Tn.	
9. Martha Short (Patty)	b. 23 Nov. 1802 in N.C. d. " " "	
10. William Harrison		
12. William J. Johnson	b. 1804 in Va. m. 9 Aug. 1839 d. 1878	
13. Adeline Hurt	b. 1814 Todd Co. Ky. d.	
14. William Edwards	b. 1830 Ky. d.	
15. Emma Dukes	b. 1832 Ky. d.	
16. Carey Bandy	b. 30 Oct. 1769 d.	
17. Frances Elizabeth Wood	b. War of 1812 d.	
18. Capt. Short		
24. David Johnson	b. d.	
28. Gideon Edwards	b. d.	
32. Thomas Bandy	b. 1748 in Va. d. 1835 Sumner Co. Tn.	
64. Richard Bandy	b. Liverpool, England d.	
65. Jane Cummings	b. Dublin, Ireland d.	

Please let us have your Charts.

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